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A method of manufacturing the sensing device of this invention comprises the steps of randomly generating a series of numbers corresponding to the coordinates of points on the substrate relative to a fixed position until the number of points corresponds to a desired sampling rate. The barycenter of each sensor element is then located at one of these points, and the areas of the sensor elements selected to provide isolation of each element from its adjacent elements. To provide uniform response, the areas of the sensor elements must be substantially equal to each other. This method produces an array of sensors on the substrate **having a Poisson distribution.** (Resnikoff, col. 4 line 67 to col. 5 line 11, emphasis added).

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Hence, Resnikoff's "specific algorithm" involves use of the "barycenter" of the sensors, and achieves a *Poisson* distribution. There are known in the art pseudo-random generator processes which achieve other distributions, such as Uniform, Gaussian, Exponential, LaPlace, Weibull, Cauchy, Raleigh, Lognormal, Gumbel, Bernoulli, Geometric, Binomial, etc., but Resnikoff specifies Poisson.

As Balph is silent as to the use or adaption of their counter circuit for use in generating random numbers having a Poisson distribution, and as Resnikoff clearly specifies use of a random Poisson schema, there can be no motivation to combine the references as proposed in the rationale for the rejections for the following reasons:

- (a) uniform and Poisson distributions are not the same;
- (b) replacing Resnikoff's Poisson distribution function with a uniform distribution function may render Resnikoff undesirable for its intended function;
- (c) Resnikoff in view of Balph fails to teach all of our claimed steps, elements, and limitations.

Confusion should be avoided when considering when and how the terms uniform and non-uniform are used in our disclosure and in the references. In one use, the term is being used to describe the distribution of numbers, such as our CRC process and Balph's counter, which generate random numbers with a uniform distribution. We then use these numbers as *offsets* from uniformly spaced points on a physical row for the placement of sensors, thus giving us an array of sensors having non-uniform spacing (e.g. randomized), but in which the offset values from uniform points on the array are uniformly distributed.

Resnikoff, however, applies a Poisson (e.g. non-uniform) distribution function to achieve a physical sensor row having a randomized positioning arrangement, but their underlying offset values from uniformly spaced points on the array will have a Poisson distribution, not a uniform distribution.

For these reasons, Appellant requests reversal of the rejections of claims 1 - 4, 6 - 9, 10, 12 - 17, and 19 - 21.

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Summary of Arguments

For the foregoing reasons, it is submitted that the rejections of Claims 1 - 19 were erroneous, and Appellant requests reversal of the rejections.

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Claims Appendix
per 37 CFR §41.37(c)(1)(viii)
Clean Form of Amended Claims

Claim 1 (previously amended):

A method of producing a two-dimensional sensor array for imaging, comprising the steps of:

determining a plurality of sensor positions, each position having a spacing in a first axis from a datum point according to a first non-uniform predictable deterministic distribution schema, and each position having a spacing in a second axis from said datum point according to a second predictable deterministic non-uniform distribution schema;

providing a two-dimensional array of sensors, each sensor being positioned on said array according to the determined positions in said first and second axes; and

providing a means for sampling said sensors such that a two-dimensional imaging sensor array having non-uniform sensor distribution is realized.

Claim 2 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said first schema comprises a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 3 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said first schema comprises a nonlinear polynomial schema.

Claim 4 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 further comprising the step of assigning one or more reference identifiers to said first and second non-uniform distribution schema.

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The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said second schema comprises a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 6 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said second schema comprises a nonlinear polynomial schema.

Claim 7 (previously amended):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 further comprising the steps of:
creating a dithered set of data samples by sampling said non-uniformly spaced sensors, said dithered set of data samples representing an image; and
performing interpolation to synthesize a set of data samples representing uniformly spaced data samples from said dithered set of data samples, said uniformly spaced data samples representing said image according to uniformly distributed sensors.

Claim 8 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 7 wherein said step of performing interpolation to synthesize a set of data samples representing uniformly spaced data samples comprises performing linear interpolation.

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Claim 9 (previously amended):

A computer readable medium encoded with software for creating a synthesized uniformly-spaced data set from a dithered data set in an imaging system, said software performing the steps of:

receiving a dithered set of data samples, said dithered set of data samples representing an image sampled by a plurality of sensors, wherein said sensors are positioned positions with a spacing in a first axis from a datum point according to a first non-uniform predictable deterministic distribution schema, and each sensor having a position spacing in a second axis from said datum point according to a second predictable deterministic non-uniform distribution schema; and

performing interpolation to synthesize a set of data samples representing uniformly spaced data samples from said dithered set of data samples, said uniformly spaced data samples representing said image according to uniformly distributed sensors.

Claim 10 (original):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 9 wherein said software for performing interpolation comprises software for performing linear interpolation.

Claim 11 (original):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 9 further comprising software for performing the step of receiving a reference identifier associated with distribution schema

of said dithered data set, and wherein said software for performing interpolation comprises software for performing interpolation based upon said distribution schema.

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Claim 12 (previously amended):

A digital imaging system comprising:

a sensor array means, said sensor array having a set of sensors arranged in first axis in a non-uniform predictable deterministic manner according to a first schema and in a second axis in a non-uniform predictable deterministic manner according to a second schema;

a sampling means for sampling said sensors; and

a dithered data set creation means for storing data samples from said sampling means.

Claim 13 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said first axis according to a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 14 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said first axis according to a nonlinear polynomial schema.

Claim 15 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said second axis according to a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 16 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said second axis according to a polynomial schema.

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Claim 17 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 further comprising an interpolation means for synthesizing a uniformly-spaced data sample set from said dithered data sample set.

Claim 18 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 18 wherein said interpolation means comprises a linear interpolation means.

Claim 19 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 18 further comprising a means for receiving an reference identifier associated with said first and second distribution schema and selecting an interpolation means according to said first and second distribution schema.

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Evidence Appendix
per 37 CFR §41.37(c)(1)(ix)

No evidence has been submitted by applicant or examiner pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.130, 1.131, or 1.132.

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Related Proceedings Appendix

per 37 CFR §41.37(c)(1)(x)

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2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**FEE DESCRIPTION**

	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
• Each claim over 20 or, for reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
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... The term "pseudo-random" is used because, while the distribution of the sensor elements in the array is random, the distribution is arrived at by using specific algorithms to be disclosed hereinafter. In this description, the terms "pseudo-random" and "random" are used interchangeably. ... (Resnikoff, col. 4, lines 26 - 31, emphasis added)

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A method of manufacturing the sensing device of this invention comprises the steps of randomly generating a series of numbers corresponding to the coordinates of points on the substrate relative to a fixed position until the number of points corresponds to a desired sampling rate. The barycenter of each sensor element is then located at one of these points, and the areas of the sensor elements selected to provide isolation of each element from its adjacent elements. To provide uniform response, the areas of the sensor elements must be substantially equal to each other. This method produces an array of sensors on the substrate having a Poisson distribution. (Resnikoff, col. 4 line 67 to col. 5 line 11, emphasis added).

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Hence, Resnikoff's "specific algorithm" involves use of the "barycenter" of the sensors, and achieves a *Poisson* distribution. There are known in the art pseudo-random generator processes which achieve other distributions, such as Uniform, Gaussian, Exponential, LaPlace, Weibull, Cauchy, Raleigh, Lognormal, Gumbel, Bernoulli, Geometric, Binomial, etc., but Resnikoff specifies Poisson.

As Balph is silent as to the use or adaption of their counter circuit for use in generating random numbers having a Poisson distribution, and as Resnikoff clearly specifies use of a random Poisson schema, there can be no motivation to combine the references as proposed in the rationale for the rejections for the following reasons:

- (a) uniform and Poisson distributions are not the same;
- (b) replacing Resnikoff's Poisson distribution function with a uniform distribution function may render Resnikoff undesirable for its intended function;
- (c) Resnikoff in view of Balph fails to teach all of our claimed steps, elements, and limitations.

Confusion should be avoided when considering when and how the terms uniform and non-uniform are used in our disclosure and in the references. In one use, the term is being used to describe the distribution of numbers, such as our CRC process and Balph's counter, which generate random numbers with a uniform distribution. We then use these numbers as *offsets* from uniformly spaced points on a physical row for the placement of sensors, thus giving us an array of sensors having non-uniform spacing (e.g. randomized), but in which the offset values from uniform points on the array are uniformly distributed.

Resnikoff, however, applies a Poisson (e.g. non-uniform) distribution function to achieve a physical sensor row having a randomized positioning arrangement, but their underlying offset values from uniformly spaced points on the array will have a Poisson distribution, not a uniform distribution.

For these reasons, Appellant requests reversal of the rejections of claims 1 - 4, 6 - 9, 10, 12 - 17, and 19 - 21.

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Summary of Arguments

For the foregoing reasons, it is submitted that the rejections of Claims 1 - 19 were erroneous, and Appellant requests reversal of the rejections.

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Claims Appendix*per 37 CFR §41.37(c)(1)(viii)***Clean Form of Amended Claims****Claim 1 (previously amended):**

A method of producing a two-dimensional sensor array for imaging, comprising the steps of:

determining a plurality of sensor positions, each position having a spacing in a first axis from a datum point according to a first non-uniform predictable deterministic distribution schema, and each position having a spacing in a second axis from said datum point according to a second predictable deterministic non-uniform distribution schema;

providing a two-dimensional array of sensors, each sensor being positioned on said array according to the determined positions in said first and second axes; and

providing a means for sampling said sensors such that a two-dimensional imaging sensor array having non-uniform sensor distribution is realized.

Claim 2 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said first schema comprises a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 3 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said first schema comprises a nonlinear polynomial schema.

Claim 4 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 further comprising the step of assigning one or more reference identifiers to said first and second non-uniform distribution schema.

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Claim 5 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said second schema comprises a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 6 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said second schema comprises a nonlinear polynomial schema.

Claim 7 (previously amended):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 further comprising the steps of:
creating a dithered set of data samples by sampling said non-uniformly spaced sensors, said dithered set of data samples representing an image; and
performing interpolation to synthesize a set of data samples representing uniformly spaced data samples from said dithered set of data samples, said uniformly spaced data samples representing said image according to uniformly distributed sensors.

Claim 8 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 7 wherein said step of performing interpolation to synthesize a set of data samples representing uniformly spaced data samples comprises performing linear interpolation.

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Claim 9 (previously amended):

A computer readable medium encoded with software for creating a synthesized uniformly-spaced data set from a dithered data set in an imaging system, said software performing the steps of:

receiving a dithered set of data samples, said dithered set of data samples representing an image sampled by a plurality of sensors, wherein said sensors are positioned positions with a spacing in a first axis from a datum point according to a first non-uniform predictable deterministic distribution schema, and each sensor having a position spacing in a second axis from said datum point according to a second predictable deterministic non-uniform distribution schema; and

performing interpolation to synthesize a set of data samples representing uniformly spaced data samples from said dithered set of data samples, said uniformly spaced data samples representing said image according to uniformly distributed sensors.

Claim 10 (original):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 9 wherein said software for performing interpolation comprises software for performing linear interpolation.

Claim 11 (original):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 9 further comprising software for performing the step of receiving a reference identifier associated with distribution schema

of said dithered data set, and wherein said software for performing interpolation comprises software for performing interpolation based upon said distribution schema.

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Claim 12 (previously amended):

A digital imaging system comprising:

a sensor array means, said sensor array having a set of sensors arranged in first axis in a non-uniform predictable deterministic manner according to a first schema and in a second axis in a non-uniform predictable deterministic manner according to a second schema;

a sampling means for sampling said sensors; and

a dithered data set creation means for storing data samples from said sampling means.

Claim 13 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said first axis according to a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 14 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said first axis according to a nonlinear polynomial schema.

Claim 15 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said second axis according to a pseudo-random schema.

Claim 16 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 wherein said sensors of said sensor array means are arranged in said second axis according to a polynomial schema.

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Claim 17 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 12 further comprising an interpolation means for synthesizing a uniformly-spaced data sample set from said dithered data sample set.

Claim 18 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 18 wherein said interpolation means comprises a linear interpolation means.

Claim 19 (original):

The digital imaging system as set forth in Claim 18 further comprising a means for receiving an reference identifier associated with said first and second distribution schema and selecting an interpolation means according to said first and second distribution schema.

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Evidence Appendix
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Related Proceedings Appendix

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